

STUMBLING BLOCK

In Peace Conference Will be German Delegates

WHO OPPOSE DISARMAMENT.

Russia, America, England and France are United However, and Will be Able to Rule the Conference—The Czar's Earnestness—His Very Flattering Opinion of the United States.

NEW YORK, May 18.—A dispatch to the Journal and Advertiser from William T. Stead, who is at The Hague in the interests of the peace conference, says:

While I cannot repeat directly anything the czar said to me, during our interview a few days ago, at St. Petersburg, it is permissible to tell America that he is in excellent spirits and full of hope for results from the peace conference.

There is no trace in St. Petersburg of the anti-American feeling which found expression in the German delegate Stangels pamphlet against peace.

So far from regarding war with the United States as the inevitable destiny of Europe, the czar expressed the utmost confidence that the American delegates will stand by those of Russia, France and England in securing the establishment of some definite, practical system of international arbitration for all disputes turning on questions of law on interpretation of treaties or investigation of questions of fact.

The czar also believed the Americans will favor recognition of the principle of arbitration in all questions not involving national honor and interest.

The tribunal which it is hoped will issue from the conference for the settlement of questions "du droit," will probably be founded on the same principles as those which have worked so successfully in the postal, telegraph and international railway bureaus at Berne, Switzerland. That is to say, a small body of jurists and practical men chosen from one or more of the minor powers would be authorized to deal with such questions in the name of, and with the authority of the powers composing this conference.

The question of mediation to be proposed is simply an extension of that clause of the treaty of Paris whereby the signers agreed in the case of the Turkish question to invoke the mediation of other powers before fighting.

By the establishment of this principle the powers would voluntarily refer serious disputes to arbitration and the mediation of such powers as they might choose.

It will be proposed that each power name one of its highest court judges to act as permanent arbitrator who shall always be at the service of the other powers when invited, thus effecting policies and other influences in the selection of members of the court of arbitration.

While I cannot repeat what the czar said to me about America, I may say that he likes the United States, and admires the principle of united sovereign states conducting their affairs peacefully without standing armies.

While the "United States of Europe" is still far in the future yet the czar's ideas are all tending toward that.

He is in earnest about checking armaments, and he hopes for great beneficial results from the conference.

It is Germany which is the stumbling block on the limitation of armaments. France is thoroughly with Russia.

Russia, America, England and France will be able, I think, to rule the conference.

Chinamen Doomed.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., May 18.—The Call says: "The Bow Wah Tong, or in English the Chinese Slave Dealer's Association, has called upon a highbinder association to rid the Chinese community of three men."

"A price has been set upon the heads of three members of the Chinese society for English education because it is believed that they are responsible for the organization of a vigilance society among the white people, who wish to put a stop to the iniquities of Chinatown."

"On the head of Ong Foon is set \$1,000. Chin Jim is rated at \$500 and Chin Sney at the same figure."

"The Slave Dealers' Association is composed of something more than a hundred Chinese, who represent an ownership in more than 150 slave dens and about 1,400 human chattels."

France's New President.

President Loubet, the new president of France, is, if anything, calm, sane, a trifle bourgeois and utterly devoid of sense of self-importance. But there is a strong and irresistible will behind his bland face, and he looks like a man who would infuse into run-down French politics as much vigor and new life as Hostetter's Stomach Bitters will into the run-down system of anyone who uses it. It is an absolute cure for the worst of all stomach disorders.

German Papers Combine.

CHICAGO, May 18.—The publishers of forty-six German daily papers in the United States, organized in Chicago yesterday under the name of the "German-American Newspaper Publishers' Association" by adopting a constitution and electing the following officers:

President, John Schroers, of St. Louis; Vice President, Herman Rieder, New York; Secretary, Fritz Glogauer, Chicago; Assistant Secretary, Edgar W. Coleman, Milwaukee; Executive Committee, H. S. Cohn, Louisville; Anselmer, F. W. Bergner, St. Paul; Volke Zellert, Louis Hirsch, Pittsburgh; Volksblatt.

Paris Postmen Strike.

PARIS, May 18.—Owing to the refusal of the senate to vote on the bill providing increased pay for postmen, recently passed by the chamber of deputies, about eighteen hundred postmen refused to go to work to-day, and later the whole force, numbering three thousand men, went out on strike. As a result there were no mail deliveries this morning. Even the embassies have not received their letters. The men are standing in groups outside of the postoffice.

News From the Orient.

VANCOUVER, B. C., May 18.—Advices from the Orient by the steamer Empress of India are as follows: Sugar plantation owners in Hawaii have resolved to fence orders for some six or seven thousand laborers, required for the ensuing year, or five years, before

Sold Out.

Which Half is the Better Half

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CLEMMER EXECUTED

For Killing Mrs. Kaiser to Obtain Life Insurance Money.

NORRISTOWN, Pa., May 18.—James A. Clemmer was hanged here at 10:05 o'clock.

On the night of October 28, 1896, Mrs. Emma P. Kaiser, while driving with her husband, Charles C. Kaiser, Jr., about a mile from Bridgeport, Pa., was shot in the head and instantly killed. The husband declared they had been attacked by a highwayman, and exhibited a wound in his arm in proof of his story. The discovery that the woman's life had been insured for \$10,000 brought suspicion upon the husband, and he was arrested.

Detectives finally implicated James A. Clemmer, and his mistress, Lizzie DeKalb, who had been concerned with Clemmer in previous offenses against the law. It was Clemmer who persuaded Kaiser and Lizzie DeKalb to come parties to the murder. On the night of the crime he induced Kaiser to take his wife driving. Clemmer and Lizzie De Kalb drove after them, passing the Kaisers as they were returning in the direction of Norristown. Clemmer stopped his horse, alighted and started in pursuit of Kaiser afoot. Kaiser brought his horse to a standstill, and Clemmer rushing up shot Mrs. Kaiser in the head, while her husband held her. She died instantly. Clemmer then shot Kaiser in the arm to render the highwayman story plausible. Kaiser was convicted of the murder. A year later Lizzie DeKalb was arrested, and Clemmer was captured shortly afterward in Newark, New Jersey.

Kaiser testified against them, and committed suicide in his cell while awaiting execution. Lizzie De Kalb was sentenced to two years' imprisonment as an accessory to the murder.

IT'S IMPOSSIBLE

To Disprove Facts—It Is Decidedly Easy to Verify Wheeling Opinion.

Nothing by way of an introduction could be added to the experiences and opinions given below, which could increase their value. Wheeling people can safely be left to draw their own conclusions based on such convincing proof as this citizen offers. What is there lacking in evidence like this to satisfy a dyed-in-the-wool-doubting Thomas?

Mrs. R. E. Sharp, whose husband keeps a dry goods store and general produce store on the Pike, says: "There was a soreness and aching pain in my back over the left kidney extending down through the thigh. I suffered a great deal from headaches, felt run down and used up, as my back bothered me a great deal in getting around the house. I saw Doan's Kidney Pills highly recommended on different occasions and as I was complaining of my back being worse than usual, my mother got a box for me at the Logan Drug Co. They relieved my back right away and I felt very much stronger and better."

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A Message From Andrew.

LEITH, Scotland, May 18.—The Norwegian ship Viking, which arrived here yesterday from Sordisfjord brought a report of a letter written by Professor Andrew, which was found in a bottle, early in April, near Ritotang, on the northeast coast of Iceland, by a farmer named Johann Magnusson. The letter was then in a bottle, and was addressed to the Polar expedition at Goteberg, and bore Andrew's own stamp, with the request that it be placed in the nearest postoffice. Magnusson it is added, gave the letter to a merchant named Sevin Emsalon, at Talsildfjord, who mailed it, and it is expected to arrive at its destination in the course of a few days. At the same time the Viking brought a letter to a prominent Icelandic, now in London, advising him of the facts and requesting him to telegraph to the King of Sweden and to the Polar expedition at Goteberg, which was done.

Cumberland Presbyterian Assembly.

DENVER, Col., May 18.—The sixty-ninth general assembly of the Cumberland Presbyterian church met to-day in the Cumberland Presbyterian church of Denver. About three hundred delegates, coming from all parts of the country, were present, when the moderator, General H. H. Norman, of Murfreesboro, Tenn., called the assembly to order. After devotional exercises, Rev. Dr. W. H. Black, president of the Missouri Valley College, of Marshall, Mo., preached the opening sermon. The new moderator will be chosen at the afternoon session. Among the candidates are Rev. R. M. Pannon, of Lincoln, Ill.; Rev. E. E. Morris, of Marshall, Mo.; Rev. S. M. Tompkins, of Clarksville, Tenn.; and Dr. James N. Haiselt, of Houston, Texas.

A Good Suggestion.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 18.—Adjutant General Corbin, who is a member of the Dewey home committee, has received the following telegram from General Harrison Gray Otis, at Los Angeles:

"Los Angeles Times will add proposed Dewey home-building fund. Let me suggest that each state or its citizens be invited to defray the costs of constructing some part of building; then set in wall a union tablet bearing appropriate legend, telling story of how Dewey's home was built by his countrymen."

Famous Abolitionist Dead.

EAST TROY, Wis., May 18.—John P. Potter, the famous abolitionist, and a former congressman, died to-day from a paralytic stroke, aged eighty-two years. Mr. Potter was one of the founders of the Republican party. He served three terms in Congress from 1857 to 1863.

Riotous Soldiers.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., May 18.—A number of mustered out Third Kentucky soldiers who passed through this city en route home to-day, created a good deal of terror along the line to Lexington, by firing promiscuously from the cars. When the train left the Central depot the men, who were drinking heavily, opened fire on the passen-

ger and freight trains that passed them, depots and almost anything else that answered for a target. At the Chattanooga driving park they fired upon a number of blooded horses, killing, it is said, two of them and wounding others. Many of the stations along the line were perforated with lead and a message was sent up the road for all agents to be on the lookout to avoid being shot.

BELLAIRE HAPPENINGS.

Matters of Interest in the Metropolis of Belmont County

The assessors' returns from this city show an increase over last year in the First, Third and Fourth wards, but there is a falling off in the Second and Fifth wards. The latter falls off over \$60,000, and is accounted for in the change of headquarters for the mill company, the monies, etc., being listed at Chicago; now, but the decrease in the Second ward is not accounted for. The decrease in the returns of about \$40,000 will be disappointing to most taxpayers, as the cash paid out in Bellaire since the first of the year by reason of the change of the mill ownership, it was believed would increase the returns, notwithstanding the fact that the mill credits went to Chicago and the additional fact that a great deal of money went into government bonds. However, the matter may be all right, and it may be an error only in the judgment of some honest persons. There is one thing about the returns from Bellaire that does show up well, and that is that the total is twice that of Martin's Ferry or Barnesville. The tables for these three towns for this year and last year are appended and they indicate more than is noted above, for Bellaire gets quite a bunch of taxes each year for distribution in the various departments, and has so much more to get it from than some of the neighboring towns that are frequently referred to in local matters. The tables follow:

Bellaire—	1898.	1899.
First Ward.....	\$1,029	\$4,477
Second Ward.....	\$9,749	\$2,829
Third Ward.....	\$19,015	\$17,482
Fourth Ward.....	\$18,824	\$16,729
Fifth Ward.....	\$19,841	\$21,702
Totals.....	\$89,468	\$63,229
Martin's Ferry—	1898.	1899.
First Ward.....	\$3,356	\$3,118
Second Ward.....	\$8,828	\$8,628
Third Ward.....	\$9,523	\$1,521
Fourth Ward.....	\$9,837	\$7,623
Fifth Ward.....	\$9,225	\$9,367
Totals.....	\$50,771	\$29,717
Barnesville—	1898.	1899.
First Ward.....	\$128,353	\$123,255
Second Ward.....	\$4,342	\$4,454
Third Ward.....	\$3,388	\$3,569
Fourth Ward.....	\$2,724	\$2,710
Totals.....	\$139,807	\$134,028

BELLAIRE BRIEFS.

The strike of the boys at Roderfer's glass works ended Wednesday evening by an agreement of all the parties. A few of the boys got increased pay for certain work, more of an equalization of wages than anything else, and the factory went on full yesterday after being idle about five weeks.

Will White and Miss Lizzie Keyser were married Wednesday evening, and will go to housekeeping in the Fourth ward. This is not Will White, the ball player by that name, as rumor had it, but another gentleman of the same name.

The suit of clothes stolen from Daly Boyles Saturday night, was recovered, having been thrown in a neighboring yard, but the watch stolen was kept and has not yet turned up.

The Gravel Hill Literary and Social club held a very interesting meeting last evening, at the home of Mrs. A. L. Wetherald, in the Fifth ward.

William Edwards, a colored man, was fined and sent to jail for whipping his wife. The marshal took him up yesterday afternoon.

The cake walk in the G. A. R. fair and festival, will take place this evening. Several couples from Wheeling will contest.

Mrs. Robert Johnson is in Sistersville, called there by the illness of Mrs. George E. Work, her daughter.

The ice cream and strawberry social given in the Christian church was well attended last evening.

Miss Helen Armstrong, of Wellsburg, is the guest of friends and relatives in the Fifth ward.

Miss Ella Douglas, of Ripley, O., is the guest of friends and relatives in the Second ward.

Miss Maude McElroy, of Parkersburg, W. Va., is the guest of friends in the Fourth ward.

Miss May Phillips, of Findlay, is the guest of Mrs. Inez Blackburn, in the Fifth ward.

The Knights of the Golden Eagle hold an important meeting Friday evening.

Louis Burcher is improving his property in the Fourth ward.

BENWOOD NEWS.

Local Happenings of Importance in a Busy Town.

City Assessor Blake's 1899 canvass shows an increase in the capitation over 1898. This year 1,410 males over twenty-one years of age, are assessed, as against 1,302 last year. According to the usual way of estimating the capitation, represents a population of 7,000, which places Benwood among the big towns of the state. Another 1,000, or Benwood would be entitled to free postal delivery.

A Bellaire-bound man rode from Wheeling on a car yesterday afternoon, and experienced no trouble in going to the ferry landing. A few boys tried to work up a demonstration, but it fell flat, whether owing to the determined look in the man's eyes or that the novelty of the thing has worn off, the deponent saith not.

The Benwood delegates to the Wheeling district Epworth league convention are Rev. G. W. Bente, C. L. Evans, Miss Lizzie Hall, Frank Uelman and Mrs. Harry M. Stewart.

Mr. and Mrs. George M. Brown, and Mrs. Granville Brown, of Montgomery county, are visiting Rev. and Mrs. G. W. Bente, at the M. E. parsonage.

Congressman Dwyer is working hard with other prominent persons to secure Edward Hepe's release on bond, pending his trial by Judge Jackson.

A lawn tennis court will be laid out on Capt. August Schatz's vacant lot on Main street, by the Young People's Society of St. Matthew's church.

An addition is being built to the Holderman building in the North End. Holderman's hall is in great demand for social affairs.

The wedding of Miss Charles Seabright, Jr., to Miss Augusta Schultz is announced to occur on June 18.

Miss Lizzie Keck will leave for Reynoldsville, Pa., next week to visit friends.

Rev. Francis Ebeling is ill, and his condition is causing some alarm.

Lafayette Glover and bride have returned from Burton.

Dr. Leonard Eskay is at Weston on business.

A Narrow Escape.

Thankful words written by Mrs. Ada E. Hart, of Groton, S. D.: "Was taken with a bad cold which settled on my lungs; cough set in and finally terminated in Consumption. Four Doctors gave me up, saying I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my Savior, determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth, I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. I gave it a trial, took in all eight bottles. It has cured me, and thank God, I am saved and now a well and healthy woman." Trial bottles free at Logan Drug Co.'s drugstore. Regular size 50c and \$1.00. Guaranteed or price refunded.

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This fearful disease often first appears as a mere scratch, a pimple, or lump in the breast, too small to attract any notice, until, in many cases, the deadly disease is fully developed.

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The wonderful success of S. S. S. in curing obstinate, deep-seated blood diseases which were considered incurable, induced a few despairing sufferers to try it for Cancer, after exhausting the skill of the physicians without a cure. Much to their delight S. S. S. proved equal to the disease and promptly effected a cure. The glad news spread rapidly, and it was soon demonstrated beyond doubt that a cure had at last been found for deadly Cancer. Evidence has accumulated which is incontrovertible, of which the following is a specimen:

"Cancer is hereditary in our family, my father, a sister and an aunt having died from this dreadful disease. My feelings may be imagined when the horrible disease made its appearance on my side. It was a malignant Cancer, eating inwardly in such a way as to cause great alarm. The disease seemed to do the skill of the doctors, for their treatment did no good whatever, the Cancer growing worse all the while. Numerous remedies were used for it, but the Cancer grew steadily worse, until it seemed that I was doomed to follow the others of the family, for I know how deadly Cancer is, especially when inherited. I was advised to try Swift's Specific (S. S. S.), which, from the first day, forced out the poison. I continued its use until I had taken eight bottles, when I was cured sound and well, and have had no symptoms of the dreadful affliction, though many years have elapsed. S. S. S. is the only cure for Cancer.—Mrs. S. M. Idol, Winston, N. C.

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